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Enclosed for filing is the utility patent application entitled:

METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR ENCODING/DECODING AUDIO DATA WITH SCALABILITY

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